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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a two (2) month extension of time, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to respond to the Restriction Requirement, dated December 28, 2005, from January 28, 2006 to March 28, 2006. The Reply to the Notice is enclosed with this petition.

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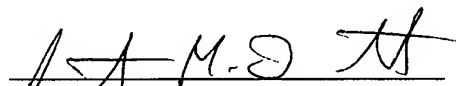
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